

# PROCLAMATION



## Office of the Mayor

**WHEREAS**, Multiple Sclerosis (MS) is a chronic, often debilitating neurological disease of the central nervous system that affects approximately 915,000 people in the United States, the exact cause of MS is unknown, and there is no known cure; and

**WHEREAS**, MS typically strikes young people in the prime of their life in their 20s, 30s, and 40s; and

**WHEREAS**, every hour of every day, someone is newly diagnosed with MS, and women are two times more likely than men to have MS; and

**WHEREAS**, symptoms can start as tingling, numbness in the limbs or nerves, loss of mobility, coordination, and vision and progress to paralysis; and

**WHEREAS**, it is important to promote education and awareness of this disease so that those with it can lead more productive and satisfying lives to benefit themselves, their caregivers, families, and the entire community; and

**WHEREAS**, the National MS Society provides programs and services for anyone whose life has been affected by MS.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT I, JACOB A. WOODFORD**, Mayor of the City of Appleton, Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim the March 12-18, 2023 as

## MS Awareness Week

in Appleton and encourage all residents to educate themselves on the symptoms of MS for early identification and to participate in upcoming community awareness and fundraising events.



Signed and sealed this 20 day of February 2023.

  
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**JACOB A. WOODFORD**  
MAYOR OF APPLETON